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FOLLOWING MESSAGE SENT ACTION SAIGON INFO CINCPAC, USDAO SAIGON,
USSAG NKP RTAFB FROM NHA TRANG JULY 30 BEING REPEATED FOR YOUR
INFO

QUOTE NHA TRANG 738

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CINCPAC FOR POLAD

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PINS PINT MILI VS

SUBJECT: MR 2 SIT REP, JULY 30

1. SECURITY SITUATION: THERE WERE 44 INCIDENTS IN MR 2 DURING
THE PAST 72 HOURS, AND THE DAILY AVERAGE WAS DOWN FROM 18 IN
THE PREVIOUS REPORTING PERIOD TO 14 DURING THIS ONE.
INCIDENTS WERE CONCENTRATED IN BINH DINH (25) AND KONTUM (12).
PHU YEN HAD FOUR, BINH THUAN TWO, AND PLEIKU ONE. ACTION WAS
CHARACTERIZED BY ATTACKS BY FIRE (29) AND GROUND ATTACKS (6).
ENEMY LOSSES INCREASED, AND FRIENDLY CASUALTIES WERE OFF:
VC/NVA: 60 KIA; RVNAF: 10 KIA, 35 WIA. TACTICAL AIR COVER
REMAINED HEAVY; ON JULY 29, THERE WERE 26 SORTIES IN KONTUM
AND 20 IN BINH DINH.

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2. BINH DINH WAS SCENE OF MOST OF THE GROUND ENGAGEMENTS IN

THE REGION AND OF THE GREAT MAJORITY OF CASUALTIES (NINE OF THE RVNAF AND 48 OF THE ENEMY KIA). SINCE LATE JUNE, GVN IN BINH DINH HAS BEEN ATTEMPTING TO EXPAND ITS AREA OF CONTROL (SEE NHA TRANG A-91). THE ACTIVITY OF THE PAST THREE DAYS HAS BEEN CONCENTRATED IN PHU MY DISTRICT AND WAS PRESUMABLY PRECIPITATED BY GVN ACTIVITY INTENDED TO CLEAR AREAS TO THE EAST AND WEST OF HIGHWAY 1.

3. THE CONSUL IN KONTUM REPORTS THAT THE INCREASED TEMPO OF RVNAF ACTIVITY WHICH HAD CHARACTERIZED LAST WEEK BEGAN TO SLACKEN BY FRIDAY. FRIENDLY ARTILLERY EXPENDITURE WAS OFF ROUGHLY 25 PERCENT. THE UNSUCCESSFUL PUSH HAS LEFT MILITARY LINES ESSENTIALLY UNCHANGED.

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